

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph at page 1, lines 5-8 with the following amended paragraph:

A/ This application is related to the co-pending U.S. application no. 09/528,843 filed March 20, 2000 and entitled "CONFIGURATION IDENTIFICATION AND MAPPING IN A FRAME RELAY-ATM SERVICE INTERWORKING-BASED WIDE AREA NETWORK" and is assigned to the owner of that application.

Please replace the paragraph at page 8, lines 11-19 with the following amended paragraph:

A/ The WAN connection between access circuit 120 and access circuit 122 is often referred to as a permanent virtual circuit (PVC). Each PVC within an ATM network is identified by a pair of ATM customer switch ports and by a pair of VPI/VCI ("virtual circuit identifier") values. For example, the PVC connecting the local LAN 104 and the local destination LAN 106 is identified by the local ATM customer switch port 128, a local VPI/VCI value for the ATM interface 117 on router 116, a destination ATM customer switch port 130, and a destination VPI/VCI value for the ATM interface 119 on router 118. Other configuration information is available to completely define the WAN components, the ATM switch 108, and the ATM switch 110.

Please replace the Abstract (p. 25) with the following replacement abstract submitted on a separate sheet as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.72: